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The following is a key to the attached chart of the CPN (Communist Party Netherlands):

The Party Congress which is convoked at least once every two years is nominally the highest authority of the CPN and is responsible for:

1. The Central Committee (Partij Bestuur) sometimes translated as Party Executive. This committee, chosen at and by the Party Congress is the actual governing body of the CPN.
2. The Executive Committee. Elected by the Political Bureau and responsible for every-day activities and operations of the CPN.
3. Party Bureau or Secretariat. All matters affecting the Central Committee and the Executive Committee are first referred to the Party Secretariat which assumes much of the routine work.
4. Political Bureau. Receives international instructions and adapts them for internal use.
5. Organizational Bureau. May be considered a section of the Political Bureau which regulates organizational activities of the Party.
6. Scientific Bureau. Consists of commissions which study subjects assigned by the Central Committee.
7. Propaganda Bureau
- 7a. Press

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1. Daily Papers: "De Waarheid" (Truth) is most important CPN publication published in Amsterdam and distributed throughout the country.
2. Weekly Papers: "Voorwaarts" (Onward)

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3. Monthly Periodicals: "Politiek en Cultuur" (Politics and Culture), a political monthly, popular-scientific and cultural.

"Echo van het Land" (Country's Echo), an agrarian propagandistic monthly.

"Vrouwenpost" (Woman's Paper), monthly for women.

"Staat en Raad" (State and Council), organ for CPN representatives in public bodies.

4. Cadre Periodicals: "Organisatie Nieuws" (Organization News), organ for the cadre.

"Feiten en Cijfers" (Facts and Figures), press reports on important events used for propaganda.

5. Miscellaneous Publications: Factory bulletins published irregularly on stencilled sheets to spread propaganda among the workers.

Regional papers published by CPN District Committees.

"Kwartaal" (Quarterly), contains speeches and statements of world Communists.

7b. Film

7c. Radio

7d. Arts and Culture

1. Libraries under Party supervision for the training and supervision of Party members.
2. Publishing Firms (Independent). "Pegasus" and "Republiek der Letteren" (Republic of Letters). Books and pamphlets for education of Party members.

7e. Miscellaneous

1. Local Advisory Committees
2. Press and Propaganda Fund
3. Local Theater and Cabaret Companies, perform for propaganda purposes.

8. Financial Bureau

9. Documentation Bureau. Records

10. Economic Bureau. For the study of economic problems and for giving advice to party organs for the improvement of these conditions - especially aimed at small, middle-class businesses.

11. Industrial Bureau. Responsible for the forming of industrial cells, and distribution of factory bulletins. Tries to keep secret its close connection with the Executive of the IWC (Unity Trade Union).

12. Agricultural Bureau. "Echo van het Land" is the organ of this bureau.

13. Political Training Bureau

- 13a. Anton Struik Training Fund: For cadre personnel.

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- 13b. Party Training Center: School for the training of the Middle Cadre (Midden-kader).
- 13c. Cadre Instructors, directors and instructors at the Cadre training center for the higher cadre at Laren.
- 13d. Marx Institute: an independent institute giving written courses with particular reference to the teachings of Marx and his modern counterpart in the USSR.
- 14. Women's Bureau. Maintains close contact with the "Nederlandse Vrouwen Beweging" (Netherlands Women's Movement).
- 15. National Electoral Bureau. Responsible for administrative preparations during general elections.
- 16. Political Control Commission. Makes security checks on all facts and documents passe by Political Bureau and checks political reliability of Party members.
- 17. Financial Control Commission. Checks on Financial Bureau.
- 18. Representatives in Government Institutions.
- 19. Foreign Liaison with other Communist groups and parties outside the Netherlands.
  - 19a. Soviet Embassy, The Hague
  - 19b. Cominform (?)
  - 19c. Communist Congresses in foreign countries.

Subsidiary and Cover Organizations20. Youth

- 20a. "Algemeene Nederlandsche Jeugd Vereeniging" (Netherlands General Youth Movement). The organ of the ANJV is "Een" (One). The Workers Youth Movement (Verbond van Werkersjeugd) organizes members up to 16 years of age.
- 20b. OPSJ (Organization of Progressive High School Students) affiliated with ANJV. An organization of students (ULO and MO) (sic) mostly members of the ANJV. Its organ is "De Poort" (The Gateway).
- 21. Radio Werkend Nederland (Radio Working Netherlands or Laborers' Broadcast for the Netherlands.) Founded to furnish CPN with broadcast time and facilities.
  - 21a. Tourist Department
  - 21b. Advisory Committee for Cultural Affairs. Organ "Vrij" (Free).
- 22. Union of Socialist Choir and Musical Societies. Lends support to Party meetings.
- 23. Free Spain.. Anti-Franco Spaniards in The Netherlands. Organ "Vrij Spanje" (Free Spain).

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24. Women

- 24a. Nederlandse Vrouwen Beweging (Netherlands Women's Movement). The NVB is becoming more communist dominated. Organ, "Vrede en Opbouw" (Peace and Reconstruction).

25. Association of Former Spanish Civil War Combatants. Purpose is to regain Dutch citizenship for those who fought on the Republican side during the Spanish Civil War.26. Vereniging Nederland-Indonesië (Netherlands-Indonesia Society). A pro-Republican organization following the Moscow line in the Dutch-Indonesian dispute. Organ, "Indonesië Bulletin".27. Netherlands-USSR. Seeks members from intellectual circles. This organization receives 3,000 guilders monthly from the Soviet Embassy in The Hague.28. "Perhimpunan Indonesia", a Communist organization of Indonesians living in the Netherlands. Organ "Warta Indonesia".29. Netherlands-Poland Society. Organ "Nederland-Polen".

## 30. Trade Unions

- 30a. Einheids Vak Central (Unity Trade Union). The EVC is an independent union but is strongly influenced by the CPN. Organ "Werkend Nederland" (Working Netherlands).

31. Instructors. Divided into the 17 districts listed on the chart. These districts were formed on 1 May 1948 from 381 sections or divisions.

## 32. Prescribed organization of a District Committee:

Political Secretary (Chairman)  
Organizational Secretary  
Treasurer  
Propaganda Chief  
Assistant Propaganda Chief  
Political Training Chief  
Youth Leader  
Factory Leader  
Women's Leader

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